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EUROPE'S FINEST PRINCESS, A NURSE IN EXPIATION OF SINS

This Sunday will mark the twenty-first birthday of the beautiful but naughty Grand Duchess Maria Pavlovna, the Russian Princess who became the bride of Prince Wilhelm, son of King Gustav V. of Sweden, in 1905, and who was divorced by him last year. Cast out by the Swedish court, because of her unconventional ways, the Grand Duchess hoped to resume the gay life she had led at Petrograd, but the Czar turned his face hard as flint against her. The fair exile begged in vain for forgiveness until the war, when the Emperor, her first cousin, partially relented and told her she might redeem herself of her tarnished reputation and win restoration to his favor by acting as a nurse on the Empire's bloody battlefields. Clad in the costume of a nursing sister, the young woman set out bravely to do penance by serving the ill and wounded soldiers of the Czar.

As the wife of Prince Wilhelm, son of the Swedish monarch, Princess Marie won wide acclaim as the "prettiest princess" of Europe. The photographs of the lovely Russian girl were published in all the newspapers, and for a time she enjoyed a great popularity among the Swedish people. She was a conspicuous figure in the Olympic games in Stockholm, and occupied the royal box almost every day.

The Grand Duchess was born on April 16th, 1893. Her father was the Grand Duke Paul Alexandrovitch. He was a younger brother of the late Emperor Alexander III, and hence is the uncle of the present Czar. He married in 1859 Princess Alexandra of Greece, a sister of the present King of the Hellenes. She died in 1891, leaving two children, the Grand Duchess Maria and the Grand Duke Dimitri. About thirteen years ago Grand Duke Paul married morganatically Olga Valerianovna, now known as the Countess Hohenhausen.

The divorced spouse of the Swedish prince, probably inherited her unconventional ideas from her father, for the Grand Duke Paul had a checkered matrimonial career. It has been declared that his first wife died of a broken heart because of his many affairs with other women. Grand Duke Paul's many escapades won for him the disfavour of the Czar and Czarina, and it is generally understood that they ordered him to leave Russia following his matrimonial alliance with the divorced wife of a Russian army officer. In any event, Paul shook the dust of Petrograd from his feet and settled in Paris.

Grand Duchess Maria and her brother did not accompany their father to the French capital, but re-

mained in Russia under the care of the Grand Duchess Sergiia, a woman of great piety who afterward became a nun.

"Incompatibility of temperament" was the reason given by Prince Wilhelm for divorcing his beautiful and charming spouse, but gossip has it that there was much more to it than that. The Grand Duchess became the bride of the Bernadotte prince in May of 1905, and the following year she presented her husband with a son, Prince Lennart. The little prince, who will be six years old next month, was their only child. For years or two the young mother was devoted to her husband and her son, but after the gay life of the Petrograd court, the Swedish royal household became terribly tiresome to her, and she relieved her boredom by many escapades which shocked the good burghers of Stockholm to their very marrow. Her tall, lank, and far from handsome husband, ceased to have any attractions for her, and it is said, they had frequent stormy scenes. The Prince, quiet and unassuming, and democratic in his tastes, was totally unfitted to hold the heart of the gay and lively princess, whose sole desire in life was to keep something "going on."

It is charged that among other things the Swedish prince's wife played the role of a spy, and that the Russian foreign office gained much valuable "inside information" as a result.

The Grand Duchess' runaway trip to Paris, where she mingled with the gayest of the gay set, was but the culmination of many other escapades. Rumor connected her name with a number of men, among them M. Savinsky, then Russian minister to Sweden, and M. Assanovitch, the Czar's military attaché at the Stockholm embassy. It was charged that she maintained in Stockholm a private residence which she visited secretly.

The marriage of the Grand Duchess to the Swedish prince was purely a political alliance, as neither of the young people even pretended love for each other. The Czar hoped that by sending his lovely cousin to Sweden he could help her maintain friendly relations with that country. As a reward for entering into a marriage in which she felt no interest, the Grand Duchess was given half a million dollars by the Czar, and the latter also provided her with a fine palace in Stockholm.

The friends of the divorced princess—and she still has many—assert that her actions were entirely innocent and that in violating the stupid traditions of the Swedish court she was animated only by a natural desire of a young and charming woman to enjoy some of the pleasures of life. These friends admit that the Princess disguised her-

self as a working girl and attended an art school in Stockholm, but they insist that this and similar innocent acts are the worst that can be charged against her.

However that may be, the Swedish prince divorced her and sent her away from her child, and her imperial cousin of Russia also greeted her with a cold and stony stare. On the battlefield of Poland the beautiful young woman is seeking to atone for her past by nursing the human victims of the great war machines.

THE WORK OF PATRIOTIC ORDERS.

The annual Congress of the Daughters of the American Revolution in session at Washington this week, always attracts a great deal of interest. A member of this order once remarked, that when these delegates got down to Washington, "they fight like cats."

This, perhaps, accounts in part for the large amount of newspaper space given to these meetings.

Whether or not this was a fair criticism, warm rivalries and even acerbity of controversy reveal that an organization has internal energy and contains forces capable of good.

In the earlier history of some patriotic orders, it sometimes seemed as if the members got together to celebrate the glories of their own blood and lineage quite as much as to perform any patriotic service. Some people are so conscious of the superiority of their ancestry that they feel no need of making any efforts on their own part.

Yet there is real work for these orders to do. The days of '76 are nearly a century and a half ago. It is all ancient history. To the young person in the schools it is as remote as Julius Caesar or Agamemnon. Teachers should be thorough students of American history, become familiar with the lives of the great Revolutionary patriots, and make these lives vivid to their pupils by narrative and anecdote.

As warriors, you almost have to go back to the Spartans at Thermopylae to find anything more wonderful than the beating of the finest army in Europe by roving bands of ragged troops.

OLIVET MEN ENTERTAIN WOMEN AT BIG SUPPER

The Men's league of Olivet church entertained the women of the church last evening at a supper. It was "Ladies' Night" and men made themselves agreeable by waiting on their wives and sweethearts.

A musical program was presented after the supper. Son orchestral selections were enjoyed.

UNCONFIRMED NEWS.

If newspapers printed only the things that some public men think they should print, they would have little else but real estate transfers, marriages and deaths. At the same time, whatever the convictions of the Associated Press men who heard President Wilson speak at New York the other night, they all seemed to applaud his plea for caution in printing unconfirmed news.

At the height of the yellow journalism movement, a host of papers never made efforts to distinguish between rumor and fact. If there was a dispatch that the Japs had landed troops on the Philippines, they chuckled it in and denied it next day in small type. More often they did not bother to insert any denial—unless it had a sting in the form of a possible libel suit.

The war news is full of fakes. Some of these are feelers, sent out by some government anxious to try out a certain idea on public sentiment. The confusion of war sets afloat daily a thousand rumors that are merely some one's surmise.

It often seems as if the big metropolitan papers fail to estimate high enough the intelligence of the public. The hustling dwellers in New York, Chicago, and San Francisco may be too busy to read anything but headlines. But there are millions of others who read intelligently and form opinions. When the editor puts a headline on a story showing that he accepts it as fact, his audience may read it through and pronounce it a fake.

A newspaper that does that may sell on street cars and railroad trains. But it will never get any hold on homes where thoughtful people read, estimate, and weigh.

Could some newspaper men act on the suggestions made by President Wilson to the Associated Press, not merely would this country be in better position to maintain advantageous neutrality, but some newspapers would command wider respect.

Bridgeport Chauffeurs Join State Association

Bridgeport chapter No. 2, Connecticut Chauffeurs' association, was organized last night and will meet in future at 180 Cannon street. The new organization starts with 45 charter members and there are 20 more applications to be acted upon at the next meeting. The objects of the association are "the promotion of social intercourse, fraternity, protection and benevolence among the chauffeurs of Connecticut and to co-operate with those in authority in the enforcement of all laws, rules and regulations relating to or appertaining to the operation, management and control of automobiles."

The by-laws provide that any member convicted of intoxication while driving shall be expelled. The introduction of liquor into the club room is prohibited. Gambling is also prohibited. A grievance committee of five members is to be appointed. The following officers were chosen: J. J. McGar, president; A. M. Doherty, vice-president; M. W. Jennings, financial secretary; Edward Costello, recording secretary; John Roach, treasurer; Raymond Chaughton, sergeant at arms; Sprague Brothers, inner guard; Edward Pearson, outer guard.

The board of governors from Chapter No. 1, New Haven, attended the meeting and worked the first and second degrees. Talks were given by Jacob P. Jacobson, E. Hall, George L.

WOMEN WATCHERS TO SET ELECTION DAY POINTERS

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